

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is requested.

Claims 15-19, 21-29 and 32-39 remain in the application.

Claims 15-19, 21-29 and 32-39 are subject to examination.

Claims 22 and 37-39 have been amended.

Under the heading "Double Patenting", the Examining Attorney objected to claim 22 as being a substantial duplicate of claim 21. Claim 22 has been amended to depend from claim 21 to overcome this issue.

In addition, claims 37-39 have also been objected to. The format of claims 37-39 has been changed from a combination claim format to a standalone claim format.

Under the heading "Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102" on pages 3-4 of the above-identified Office Action, claims 30-31 have been rejected as being fully anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,426,657 to Vakhshoori (hereinafter Vakhshoori) under 35 U.S.C. § 102.

Claims 30-31 have been canceled.

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In view of the foregoing, reconsideration and allowance of claims 15-19, 21-29 and 32-39 are solicited.

Petition for extension is herewith made. The extension fee for response within a period of one month pursuant to Section 1.136(a) in the amount of \$110.00 in accordance with Section 1.17 is enclosed herewith.

If an extension of time is required, petition for extension is herewith made. Any extension fee associated therewith should be charged to the Deposit Account of Lerner and Greenberg, P.A., No. 12-1099.

Please charge any other fees that might be due with respect to Sections 1.16 and 1.17 to the Deposit Account of Lerner and Greenberg, P.A., No. 12-1099.

Respectfully submitted,



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